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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: AUDIO SIGNAL OUTPUTTING METHOD AND BGM
GENERATION METHOD
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application- 34 pages, including 8 independent claims and 14 claims total.
- 2. Drawings- 8 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-13).
- 3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| | Number of Claims | | Basic | Extra Claims | | | |
| Total Claims | 14 | - | 20 | | x \$18 | | |
| Independent Claims | 8 | - | 3 | 5 | x \$84 | | 420.00 |
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2001-012637, filed January 22, 2001.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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